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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Intelligence Community Staff
FROM: Director of Central Intelligence
SUBJECT: Highlights of Senior Planning Conference

I rewrote this a bit to pinpoint the tasking on the weapons and personnel utilization issues a little more sharply. As I mentioned to you and [redacted] last night at your reception, the public diplomacy issue is an important one but I think the NSC should take the lead on it. Our role now is to determine on a case-by-case basis how intelligence contributes to informing the public without jeopardizing sources and methods. This will come up with respect to specific public diplomacy initiatives. We will have to respond to a call for release of information on the Soviet missile defense effort and on Soviet non-compliance with arms agreements. The response will be to see how to produce generalized conclusions which will not jeopardize sources. We have to see how effectively this can be done on a case-by-case basis. [redacted] will be addressing the call for missile defense information and a call for information on Soviet non-compliance. They will both be proceeding to sanitize and generalize and we have to determine on a Community basis how far we can afford to go on this when we see the results of the work.

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